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QUOTE BIEN HOA 0031

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MOPS, VS

SUBJECT: SAPPERS ATTACK BIEN HOA MILITARY CAMP

1. ON JANUARY 14 AT 0100 HOURS AN ESTIMATED PLATOON SIZE SAPPER UNIT, BELIEVED TO BE FROM THE 113TH SAPPER REGT, PENETRATED THE NGO VAN SANG CAMP LOCATED JUST NORTHEAST OF BIEN HOA AIR BASE ( VICINITY YT 013157 - 036156) AND ATTACKED ELEMENTS IN THE JGS LIAISON GROUP AREA, THE BIEN HOA PROVINCE LOGISTICAL SUPPORT CENTER, AND THE MILITARY CONVALESCENT AREA. MR-3 G-2 BELIEVES THE COMMUNIST UNIT PENETRATED THE CONCERTINA ON NORTHERN PERIMETER OF THE CAMP, PROCEEDED THROUGH THE AREA FIRING B-40 ROCKETS AND THROWING SATCHEL CHARGES, AND EXITED THROUGH THE EASTERN PERIMETER OF THE CAMP. CASUALTIES WERE REPORTED AS FOLLOWS: THE CONVALESCENT CAMP SUFFERED THREE PF KILLED, ONE RF WOUNDED, AND FOUR HOUSES DAMAGED; THE BIEN HOA LOGISTICAL SUPPORT CENTER REPORTED ONE KILLED AND FIVE WOUNDED; AND THE JGS LIAISON GROUP REPORTED ONE KILLED AND TWO WOUNDED (A SEPARATE REPORT FROM A SOURCE AT THE  
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LIAISON GROBP AREA REPORTED ONE KIA AND 14 WIA). CONGEN RLO

OFFICER VISITED JGS AREA AND REPORTED ONE OPERATIONS BUILDING AND FOUR BARRACKS DEMOLISHED. ONE SAPPER WAS KILLED IN THE ATTACK IN THE EASTERN EXIT AREA. MOST OF HIS BODY WAS DESTROYED FOLLOWING THE APPARENT DETONATION OF THE EXPLOSIVES HE WAS CARRYING.

2. BIEN HOA PROVINCE CHIEF, COL LUU YEM, WHO VISITED THE SCENE OF THE ATTACK SAID THAT ACCORDING TO THE ANALYSIS HE RECEIVED, THE SAPPERS BROKE INTO TWO UNITS, ONE DIRECTED TOWARDS THE JGS LIAISON CENTER AND THE OTHER TOWARDS THE LOGISTICAL SUPPORT CENTER. COL YEM FEELS THAT THE SECOND SQUAD THAT WAS DIRECTED TOWARDS THE LOGISTICAL SUPPORT CENTER BECAME DISORIENTED, FAILED TO REACH ITS TARGET, AND EXPENDED ITS EXPLOSIVES ON THE CONVALESCENT AREA.  
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